(b) whether any clients have been made to detect the culprits involved in the incident and if so, the results achieved so far;

(c) whether it is a fact that similar incidents were reported to have occured earlier along the tracks between Hindon bridge and Ghaziabad Railways Station; and

(d) if so, what effects are being made to prevent recurrence of such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Efforts to apprehend the culprits continue, but no culprit has been arrested so far.

(c) 3 similar incidents were reported to have occurred earlier during the year 1992 between Hindon Bridge and Ghaziabad Railway Station.

(d) Track patrolling by RPF is being done between Hindon Bridge and Ghaziabad Railway Station, Crime intelligence is being collected to apprehend the criminals and liaison is being maintained with Civil Police and Distt. authorities

Rail Line in Vidarbha Region of Maharashtra

1410. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the status of the proposal relating to new Narkhed-Amrawati Board-Gauge Railway line in the Vida rbha Region of Maharashtra;

(b) whether any budgetary allocation has been made for the purpose and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the above line is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) New line projects can be taken up by the Railways only after prior approval of Planning Commission. The proposal for construction of a new line from Narkhed-Amra-wati was sent to the Planning Commission. They have not approved the same.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Own your wagon' scheme in the Railways

1411. SHRIMATI KAMLA STNHA:, Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have announced the 'Wwn your wagon' scheme as a first step to privatisation in the Railways;

(b) if so, what is the total additional number of wagons under the scheme and the major users under the scheme; and

(c) what are the details of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) "Own your wagon" scheme envisages private participation in procurement and ownership of wagons to meet the prowing demand for rail transport.

(b) and (c) The main features and terms and conditions of "Own your wagon" scheme are under active consideration. The additional number of wagons and the major users under this scheme will depend on the response to the scheme from major railusers.

शाहगंज मऊ मीटर लाइन को बड़ी लाइन में बदलने का कार्य

1412. श्री राम मरेश यादव : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) शाहगंज-मऊ मीटर लाइन को बड़ी लाइन में बदलने का कार्य कब तक आरंभ किया जाएगा और यह कार्य कब तक पूरा हो जाएगा ; और

(ख) इस परियोजना पर कितने करोड़ रुपये खर्च किए जाने का अनुमान है ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) शाहगंज-मऊ आमान परिवर्तन का कार्य आठवीं पंच-वर्षीय योजना के दौरान शुरु किया जाएगा । इसका पूरा होना संसाधनों की उपलब्धता पर निर्भर करेगा ।

(ख) वर्तमान मूल्य स्तर पर लगभग 50 करोड़ रुपये ।

रेल दुर्घटना

1413. श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि 10 जुलाई, 1992 की प्रातः एक यात्री रेल गाड़ी की दुर्घटना हुई थी ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) मृतकों और गंभीर रूप से घायल व्यक्तियों की अलग-अलग संख्या कितनी है ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) से (ग) संभवतः आशय 9-7-1992 को 8033 अहमदाबाद-हावड़ा एक्सप्रेस के पटरी से उतरने की घटना से है । मध्य रेलवे के नाग पुर मंडल के धामनगांव और तलनी स्टेशनों के बीच इस गाड़ी के 11 डिब्बे पटरी मे उतर गए थे । उपलब्ध सूचना के अनुसार 15 व्यक्तियों की जानें गई और 9 गंभीर रूप से घायल हो गए ।

Train Accidents

1414. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of train accidents dur ing 1990-91 and 1991-92, passenger and goods trainwise;

(b) the number of those accidents which were due to derailments;

(c) what are the causes for large number of accidents due to derailments;

(d) What steps have been taken by Government to curtail such accidents;

'e; the amount of compensation paid by Gavernmen.t to the rail accident victims ouang the last three years and the number of claims still pending with the Railway claims Tribunal; and

(f) by when all such claims are likely to be settled?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) Details of consequential train accidents during 1990-91 and 1991-92 are as under:—

	1990-91			1991-920		
	Pass.	Oliier	Total	Pasu	Other	Total
Collusions	23	18	41	18	12	30
Derailments	97	349	446	108	336	444
Level Crowing Accidents	31	5	3b	41	6	47
F're in trains	7	2	9	7	2	9
Total	158	374	532	174	356	530